

New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

POLICY

Prohibition of Profiling Practices

RM-424
(Rev. 03/14/2012)

Authority

§29-21-1 through 29-21-4 NMSA, Prohibition of Profiling Practices Act.

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to eliminate illegal bias in law enforcement actions and emphasize the importance of constitutional guidelines.

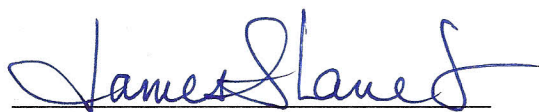
Policy

Officers shall exercise sworn duties, responsibilities, and obligations in a manner that does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, color, national origin, language, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, political affiliation, religion, physical or mental disability or serious medical condition.

Officers shall not rely on race, ethnicity, color, national origin, language, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, political affiliation, religion, physical or mental disability or serious medical condition except when a suspect description is related to a criminal incident or suspected criminal activity.

Nothing in this policy prevents any officer from engaging any person in voluntary consensual questioning or inquiries.

This policy was approved and implemented by:



James S. Lane, Jr., Director



Date